

EMERGENCY READINESS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

December 8, 2025

The Emergency Readiness Committee met in the County Board Conference Room. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Bob Allen.

Members Present:

Bob Allen, Chairman
C. Richard Vernier, Asst. Chairman
Susan Gruberman
Ken Easterley
Jana A. Moll
G.W. Scott, Jr.
Robert Trentman

Members Absent

Others Present:

Herb Simmons, Director 911/EMA
Mark Kern, County Board Chairman

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call was taken.

There were no Public Comments or Questions asked at this Meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Easterley and seconded by Mr. G.W. Scott, Jr., to approve the Minutes from the November 17, 2025 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

The monthly EMA report was distributed to members to review.

A motion was made by Mr. G.W. Scott, Jr. and seconded by Ms. Gruberman, to approve the EMA report. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Vernier and seconded by Mrs. Moll, to adjourn the meeting at 6:08 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Allen, Chairman
Emergency Readiness Committee

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Report of Activities Emergency Readiness / Public Safety Committee November 2025/ December 2025

1. All monthly radio tests were conducted, and no problems were noted.
2. Monthly tests of the outdoor warning sirens were completed and no problems were observed.
3. Attended the Monthly Starcom 21 Committee Meeting
4. Attended the STARRS Board Meeting.
5. Attended the Statewide Interoperable Executive Committee Meeting.
6. Attended meeting of the Statewide 9-1-1 Advisory Board.
7. Attended the monthly meeting of the St. Clair Special Emergency Services.
8. Staff attended the quarterly regional meeting for Illinois Emergency Management.
9. Attend monthly meeting of the Long Term Recovery Division of our County COAD (Community Organization Active in Disaster).
10. Conducted the bi-monthly meeting of the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC).
11. Continue to work with IEMA/FEMA on the Belleville and East Carondelet Flood Studies along with the Flood Buyout Program which is currently awaiting the appraisal process.
12. Continue to conduct the Monday Morning Spotlight St. Clair Episodes. Have had segments with Animal Control, Intergovernmental Grants Dept, St. Clair County Fairgrounds, Highway Dept, Health Dept, St. Clair County Transit District, Illinois Emergency Management, Belleville Optimist Club, Anna's Shriners Festival of Trees and Swansea Winter Wonderland. These weekly shows have achieved greater than 118,000 total views in the various segments.
13. Attended meeting with County Board Chairman, Illinois Emergency Management Director, Operations Section Chief and Regional Director to discuss ongoing Emergency Management issues and future planning.